...in the Dela-
...broken,
...House
...sacrific-
...Alfred B.
...peaker, with
...as organized
...Sussex Re-
...in that body.
...W. Campbell, Selby-

...ouse—John S. Dobson,
... county.
...k—George H. Gunning,
... county.
...lerk—David Rodway, Hart-
...y.
...arms—Elisha D. Campbell,
...entative District, Sussex

...he Rev. W. F. Dawson,
... county.
... C. Wright, Dover, Kent

...ase committee
...st of committees:
...—Marvel, Alexander, Evans,
...rmley, Bell, Lecates.
...re and Forestry—Evans,
... Johnson, Davis, Fisher,
...tings.
...—Johnson, Hoffecker,
...rmley, B. F. Cooper,

... Elementary Institutions.
...r, Gillis, Evans, Wilson,
...n, Lecates.
...—Davis, Alexander, Talley,
...el, Gormley, Bell, Hastings.
...imes and Punishments.—Garrison,
...s, White, Messick, T. O. Cooper,
...orris, Hammond.
Private Corporations—Moore, Tebo,
...offecker, Hurdle, Hart, B. F. Cooper,
...yton.
Education—Conwell, Garrison, John-
...on, Elliott, Fisher, T. O. Cooper,
Lecates.
Elections—Gillis, Buckingham, Mar-
vel, Robbins, Wright, Bell, Layton.
Enrolled Bills.—Wilson, Johnson,
Tebo, Davis, Gormley, Morris, Lecates.
Federal Relations—White, Bucking-
ham, Evans, Messick, Fisher, Bell,
Hammond.
Fish, Oysters and Game—Boswick
Marvel, Wilson, Hurdle, Pool, Swan,
Hastings.
Immigration—Fisher, White, Pool,
Evans, Robbins, Wright, Layton.
Insurance and Banking—Pool, Moore,
Boswick, Johnson, Hammond, Hart, Bell.
Judiciary—Talley, Conwell, Moore,
Hurdle, Wright, Fisher, Lecates.
Labor—Robbins, Conwell, Pool, Al-
exander, T. O. Cooper, Swan, Layton.
Manufactures and Commerce—Gorm-
ley, Talley, Wilson, Tebo, Conwell,
Morris, Hastings.
Military Affairs—Buckingham, Alex-
ander, Boswick, Messick, T. O. Cooper,
Morris, Hastings.
Miscellaneous—Hurdle, Conwell, Gar-
rison, White; Gormley, B. F. Cooper,
Hammond.
Printing—Elliot, Wilson, Buckingham,
Marvel, Fisher, Bell, Swan.
Public Health—T. O. Cooper, Alex-
ander, White, Garrison, Elliott, Ham-
mond. Messick

...ACE
...1911.—Pub-
...nents, &c.,
...Thomas Con-
...anor, Md.,
...r.
...1911.—Public
...te, household
...ansant, at his

...1911.—Pub-
...ements, &c.,
...oad leading

JURORS DRAWN

L. Scott Townsend and John Nevin, the jury commissioners of New Castle county, drew the following petit jury Wednesday morning. This jury will report on Monday, January 23, for two weeks' service. The jurymen are:

First Representative District—Michael F. Golding, George C. Parke, Harry H. Hyland and John A. Kelley.

Second—Fred G. Lutz, Lewis W. Jordan, William J. Eaton and Elmer Grason.

Third—William M. Graves, John Hennis, Harry G. Robinson and George D. Lippincott.

Fourth—Simon Keen, William A. Reilley, John B. Ginder and Frank Simmons.

Fifth—Harry B. Colton, John A Lengel, Clarence Burton and John S. Hamilton.

Sixth—John Scott and Edward B. Grubb.

Seventh—John Humphreys and Benjamin Fluharty.

Eight—Frank B. Mote and Joseph E. Crossan.

Ninth—Frederick Clark and W. E. Harkness.

Tenth—James McCalister and Joseph Hance.

Elventh—Oliver Rambo and Albert J. Stroud.

Twelfth—Walter Depuy and William H. H. Clark.

Thirteenth—John W. Buehm and John A. Cleaver.

Fourteenth—William C. Money and Harry Peckhard.

Fifteenth—George Johnson and John Price.

Hand-Made
Horse Collars

I have rented the house on Church street, just south of M. Banning's grocery store, where I will open, on Monday next, January 16th, a horse collar room. It is my intentions to make first-class hand-made horse collars, and do repairing on same, and will be glad to sell you a new collar or repair your old ones.

A. REED
Church Street, South of Banning's Store
Middletown, Del.

Your Eyes

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
St. Georges Hundred!

The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1910 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

A. G. COX'S OFFICE, MIDDLETOWN
SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th, 1911,
From 1 to 3 P. M.

MASSEY'S HOTEL, IN ODESSA,
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18th, 1911
From 1 to 3 P. M.

AT HENRY CLEAVER'S STORE, IN PORT PENN,
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25th, 1911
From 1 to 3 P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

JOHN E. DENNY,
Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1910 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART,
IN TOWNSEND, DEL.,
EVERY SATURDAY,
During JANUARY, 1911,
From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

An abatement of 5 per centum will be allowed on all taxes paid during the month of August.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

WILLIAM C. MONEY,
Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
Blackbird Hundred!

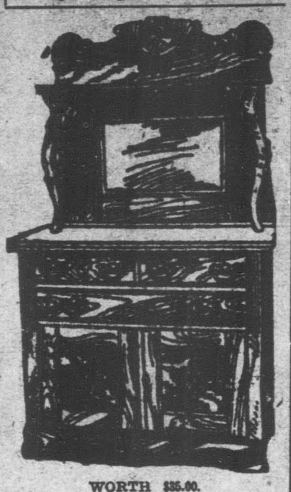
10 DAYS' FREE TRIAL
Pay Nothing Down

If you cannot call at our store, simply mail us your name and address and we will deliver to you this handsome SOLID OAK SIDEBOARD.

50 cents a week or $2 monthly.

If perfectly satisfied, pay us, until paid for.

Freight Charges Paid Everywhere



WORTH $35.00.

The Sideboard is exactly like cut; made of selected solid golden oak, polished finish, all hand carving, full claw-foot, swell top, drawer, one drawer lined for silver, full size linen drawer and a large, commodious space for chinaware, solid brass handles and solid ends. The sideboard is full size, measuring as follows: 80 inches high, 44 inches wide, 22 inches deep and a full-size French bevel plate mirror, 16x24.

SOLD TO YOU AT OUR SPECIAL PRICE..... **$17.50**

Write For Furniture Catalogue.
MAIL ORDERS FILLED EVERYWHERE.

OGDEN-HOWARD CO.,
5th and King Streets
WILMINGTON, - DELAWARE

START THE NEW YEAR WITH MUSIC

Columbia Graphophones

Disc and Cylinder Records

AT

W. S. Letherbury's

ALLEN'S BAKERY

...Ve sell Candies at wholesale ...es. Examine our stock of ...ndies in ½, 1 and 5 lb boxes ...fore buying elsewhere.

Whlesale and Retail

...Ve are now making and serv ... to our customers Graham ...at Bread.

...ving now completed our first ...in the baking business, we ...hat we are in a position to ...ur patrons better service in ...ture than in the past. ...ng you for past favors and ... your future patronage,

...erces, iron band, at ...prices.

...Very truly,

... Allen & Son
...ddletown, Del.

...ce Sale!

...ve to our new store, Corner Broad ...nd Main Streets, on or about February ... 25th. In order to have as little to move as ...ssible we have marked down every piece of goods in our store from 1-3 to 1-2 of its regular price.

Ladies' and Misses' Coat Suits

$25.00	Ladies' and Misses' Coat Suits.....	$15.50
20.00	" " " " "	15.00
18.00	" " " " "	12.00
15.00	" " " " "	10.00
18.00	Ladies' and Misses' Coats.....	12.00
12.00	" " " "	8.50

Childrens' Coats

Children's $5.00 and $4.00 Coats.....		$2.98
" 3.50 and 3.00 "		1.98

Ladies' and Misses' Skirts, all colors and sizes, $5.00 and $6.00, **$2.98.**

WAISTS

Waists in silk, nett, messaline, madras, lineen, linen and batiste, also a few samples of wool waists, all reduced 1-2 to 1-3.

All our furs, blankets, sweaters, childrens' dresses and underwear. If you want any of these bargains you must come early. The balance of our stock ...y be sold before moving regard-

...FOGEL
... DELAWARE

...58C
...tion, balance in timber, ... orchard, meadow, good soil, fair fencing, near school, church and stores, 6 miles to Chestertown, 8 room frame house, porch, good condition, stable, barn, carriage house, etc., shade, excellent well of water. Directly on Chester river. Cheap at $7,500.

No. 578 131 acres, Broad Neck, Kent County, 108 cleared, balance in timber, apples and pears. 6 room frame house, tenant house of 5 rooms, stable, barn and carriage house, shade, good soil, good water, near school, church and stores. $4,000.

J. WATERS RUSSELL
REAL ESTATE BROKER
Chestertown, Maryland.

Economy is Wealth

Converting a Waste Material into Useful Article is Economy

... OLD CARPETS WOVEN ...TO ART RUGS.

...Rug Mfg. Co.
...nall St.,
... DELAWARE
...let and price

Will a 20 Per Cent. Saving On Your Winter Suit or Overcoat

APPEAL TO YOU? IF SO, HERE'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY

We say 20 per cent. but in some cases the reductions are even more—sometimes as much as 33 per cent., and higher. Figure what even 20 per cent. means, if you will. On a $20.00 Overcoat you save $4.00; on a $25.00 Coat you save $5.00. On a $10.00 Overcoat you save $2.00; on a $20.00 Suit you save $4.00.

These are not saving on paper only. Here are the goods, brand new and bought this Fall from the best makers in the country. You see the tags showing original selling price, and the discount is AN ACTUAL SAVING—EVERY PENNY OF IT. Its just that much more money for your Christmas shopping.

And think what your can save in buying your Christmas Gifts here—good sensible Gifts too.

Men's Overcoats 20 Per Cent. Below Regular Price
Men's Suits 20 Per Cent. Below Regular Price

Boys' Overcoats 20 Per Cent. Below Regular Prices
Boys' Bloomer Suits 20 Per Cent. Below Regular Prices

Boys' Sweaters, Men's Sweaters, Men's and Boys' Soft Hats, Men's Pantaloons, Suspenders, Neckwear, Gloves, Etc.

All we ask is that you visit us before you buy. We can satisfy you that this is the store that will save you money. And remember, every dollar saved is just that much more in your pocket for Christmas.

Make This Your Headquarters When in Town.

James H. Wright
Clothier and Furnisher
Market and Eighth Streets
Wilmington, - - Delaware

M. BANNING
East Main Street Market
DEALER IN
Fine Groceries, Provisions, Dry Goods, Notions, Oil Cloth, Matting, Rugs, Window Shades, etc.

Watch For Our
Special Announcement
NEXT WEEK

M. BANNING
Phone 60 East Main St
Middletown, Delaware

Land Lime!

I am taking orders for LeGore High Grade Lime. Car. guaranteed to have the highest average analysis of any lime in use and each carload sold is billed from the Kilns of LeGore to the purchaser, which gives him a guarantee that he gets what he buys and sold at the lowest standard price either for cash or on time to suit the purchaser. Give me a call and get my price and terms before you place your orders or will call and see you at your request. Can furnish the LeGore's quick lime either in stone or ground in bags or hydrated in bags or loose in cars, in carload lots to suit purchaser. Can also furnish you Tidewater Hydrated Lime in bags, in carload lots or on rivers and creeks, in Cecil County, Maryland, at short notice.

LeGore analysis over 97
Tidewater analysis over 96.

J. A. CLEAVER, Agent
For two above High-grade Lime.

TESTIMONIAL

MIDDLETOWN, Del., January 5th, 1910.

This is to certify that I have been using the LeGore Combination Lime for 10 years, and have got good results from the use of this lime. My crops have increased one-third or more, and my grass and hay have been the best of the neighborhood. My land is free from sheep sarrell and old field sage, which I had when I commenced using LeGores' lime. I always use the stone lime and truly believe in LeGore lime—would use no other and recommend it to any farmer who wants lime, as I consider it the best. I bought all of my lime from J. A. Cleaver, Agent for LeGore Lime Co. JAMES T. JARRELL.

The Transcript, $1.

The Middletown Transcript

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.25 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 4.05 p.m. p.m. and 8 p.m.
Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p.m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—75.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a, m. and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., JAN 14, 1911

LOCAL NEWS

Home made sausage and scrapple at W.C. Jones.

Am prepared to grind sausage meat for the farmer at short notice.
W. C. Jones.

FOR RENT:—Stable East Main St. Also Stable West Main St.
G. E. Hukill.

Just received a Car Load No. 2 WESTERN RE-CLEANED OATS.
S. B. Foard.

POULTRY WANTED—Both dressed and alive. Highest Cash prices paid.
W. C. Jones, Middletown, Del.

A new "Bubble" drinking fountain has been placed in the main hall of the Middletown Public Schools.

FOR RENT—The 8 room dwelling on East Main street now occupied by John Buehm. Apply to
Mrs. H. V. Parvis.

A little attention given your teeth now may save you future trouble and expense. Dr. Johnson will make examination and estimate without charge.

I am prepared to do all kinds of artificial hair work at short notice. Finger puffs, switches, transformations, etc., made from combings or new hair.
E. S. Jones, Agt.

Send along your orders for THE CELEBRATED WILBUR LEHIGH COAL, Good, Clean Stock, Guaranteed FREE FROM DIRT. Also try our SOUND AND WELL-SEASONED CORD WOOD cut to fit your stove.
Phone 5 and 48. Jesse L. Shepherd.

FARMERS improve your Land by using BARRICK & SONS HIGH GRADE CARBONATE OF LIME, both Lump and Hydrated. Satisfaction guaranteed. Ascertain our prices and Terms before placing your orders.
Phone 5 and 48. Jesse L. Shepherd.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remains unclaimed in the post office for the week ending January 5th: Miss Ruby Bergeson, Miss Lizzie Burkes, Mrs. Wilson Jackson, Mrs. Norah Williams (2)

The Levy Court received a report Tuesday to the effect that the Noxontown milldam is about completed and will be ready for the members to inspect within a few days. The date for the inspection was set for either Saturday January 14th or Monday, January 16th.

Secretary of State Smithers' annual report of the receipts of his office for the 1910 shows the following: State tax from corporations. $95,419.56: state tax on civil commissions, $902; state tax from automobiles, $9,394; fees, $20,033.50; total amount of taxes and fees turned over to the State Treasurer, $125,749.56.

At the annual meeting of the Cantwell Mutual Insurance Company of Odessa held on Monday, January 2d, 1911, the following directors were elected for the ensuing year: President, Daniel W. Corbit; Daniel W. Corbit, Alex. P. Corbit, F. B. Watkins, James T. Shallcross, M. N. Willits, Colen Ferguson and Clarence E. Pool.

With milk prices as high as they are at the present time, our farmers should feed their cows well, not only to get the benefit of this present price, but to have their cattle in good condition when Spring comes. Cotton Seed Meal, Bran, Sugarota Dairy Feed, Badger Dairy Feed, Sucrene Dairy Feed and Sucrene Horse and Mule Feed can be gotten from
Middletown Farms, Inc.

It is said that an effort will be made at this session of the Legislature to make the offices of sheriff and coroner four year terms the same as other county offices. It is pointed out that these two offices should be classed the same as the other county offices, which seems to be a favorable argument in behalf of the project. The change, if made, will not affect the officials who have just come into office.

Only five Decembers in the 40 years of the life of the Weather Bureau have been colder than the month just closed. These were 1871, 1872, 1876, 1880 and 1904. The average mean daily temperature for the month was 30.6 degrees, or 5.1 degrees below normal. The coldest average for any December was in 1876, when the daily mean was only 25.4. The month's deficiency in temperature was 165 degree.

At the regular meeting of the Sunday School Association of Forest Presbyterian church the following officers were reelected:—Superintendent, J. Fletcher Deakyne; Secretary, John J. Hoffecker, Jr.; Treasurer, George D. Kelley; secretary of Button system, Frank H. Tyson; Organist, Miss Blanche Deakyne; Pianist, Miss Prudence Lewis; Superintendent Primary Department, Miss Eugenia Beasten; Assistant, Mrs. S. E. Lewis. Mr. Henry C. Ellison was made assistant superintendent to succeed Mr. Thomas Jacobs.

Railroad detective John Armstrong arrested two boys on the arrival of the 12.50 A M. train at the depot, Friday morning. The boys who were about 16 years of age, were well dressed and their talk and manners bore unmistakable evidence of refinement. Mr. Armstrong after giving the boys some good advise, provided tickets for them to Lincoln City, this state, where one of the lads has relatives.

We thank those of our subscribers who have so promptly responded to our request to pay their subscriptions, and again request those who have not done so to not postpone the matter longer than necessary. All, of course, realize the fact that it costs money to run a newspaper as bills have to be paid and it requires money to do so, so if you owe us kindly try and make it convenient to pay promptly.

Clerius at Old Swedes

On Sunday morning, January the 8th Rev. Percy L. Donaghay, rector of the St. Annes P. E. Church, preached to a good congregation of his appreciative parishioners and others, a fine sermon, at once useful, instructive and eloquent, upon the Epiphany, taking for his text the story of the Magi in Matt. 2-11-13.

On Tuesday Rev. Donaghay attended the Clericus held in Wilmington at Old Swedes Vicarage. Rev. Albert E. Clay vicar. The leading paper was by the Rev. Benjamin Thomas, rector of Christ's P. E. Church, Dover, "Does the Institutional Church Pay?" At the conclusion of the able paper, Rev. Donaghay and others, discussed its propositions.

MEDICAL PROFESSION

No department of the human endeavor contains a more devoted class of men than is to be found in the medical profession. It is a profession calling for the highest qualifications, deepest research and the most profound study. It carries with it the greatest responsibility, a responsibility which must be borne uncomplainingly by the followers. Constant care, laborious and patient application are demanded by all who enter its ranks if they would keep in line with the rapid strides that are being made in all its departments. The successful physician of today is the one who enters into real spirit of his work to such an extent as to cause a sufferer to feel a relaxation from pain as soon as he approaches the bedside. Doctors must be large hearted and yet tender hearted men. Large hearted in the sense of having a feeling for all mankind, and not only enter with them the crucible of pain, but journey side by side with them as they cross the dark valley; stony hearted in the sense of knowing no fear when the knife is to be used in order to save life or limb, tender hearted in the sense of using the utmost precaution when a patient, whose feet have already felt the first splash of the dark waters, and who, longingly, looks up and asks: "Am I getting better doctor?"

Yes, the doctors of any community are the eternal vigils who never sleep so long as there is human suffering unless, perchance, they themselves have reached the limit of human endurance.

The different men composing the medical fraternity of Middletown have their finger carefully resting upon the pulse of the people day and night which explains the healthy conditions that exist here.

BANKS NAME OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the New Castle County National Bank of Odessa, held at the banking house on Wednesday, January 4, 1911, the following directors were elected for the ensuing year: D. W. Corbit, James T. Shallcross, M. N. Wilson, Alex. P. Corbit, Daniel Corbit, Clarence E. Pool, L. V. Aspril, Jr., F. B. Watkins and Colen Ferguson. The same officers were all re-elected.

At the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Citizens National Bank on Tuesday, January 10, 1911, the following Board of Directors was elected for the ensuing year; Joseph Biggs, Jacob B. Cazier, Sewell C. Biggs, Chas. S. Ellison, George V. Peverley, Jesse L. Shepherd, Nathaniel J. Williams, Anthony H. Johnson, Henry L. Davis, Charles M. Cochran and John S. Crouch.

New Century Club Program

The ladies' New Century Club met on Tuesday afternoon, and a short program was given consisting of a well written paper on "Household Economics", of which Mrs. Jacqueth was the author. In her absence it was read by Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd. An instrumental selection, "The Pilgram Chorus" was given by Miss Byron, Miss Nellie Janvier also gave a recitation and Miss Mary Hutchin played on the piano—all the ladies' performances, were in their usual fine style, after which a number of the members compared their various household receipts and exhibited to each other, the culinary results of their housewifely employment of them. The meeting of the Womans' Century Club of Tuesday, Jan. 17th will be held at the usual hour, 2.30 P. M. This is Educational Day. Prof. A. R. Spaid will give an address and there will be an exhibit of work done by the children in the public school.

Diamond Telephone Terms

Messrs. Wilson Merritt and E. L. Dashiell, representing the soliciting and constructive Departments of the Diamond State Telephone Company, have informed The Transcript that they will give three months free service to all new subscribers in Middletown proper, and the following yearly rates thereafter: Direct Business telephone, $36; Four Party Business telephone, $24; Direct Residence telephone, $24; Four Party Residence telephone, $18; To persons on Farm Lines they have reduced the rate from $20 to $18 per year for residence telephones; all bills payable monthly.

The Transcript can heartily recommend Mr. Merritt and Mr. Dashiell as thoroughly competent and gentlemanly, and bespeaks for them the patronage of its subscribers.

Fire Company Elect Officers

The Volunteer Hose Co., Inc., of Middletown, at its annual meeting January 6th elected the following officers:

J. F. McWhorter, President; William B. Kates, 1st Vice President; J. E. Ginn, 2d Vice President; Dr. J. C. Stites, Treasurer; John J. Jolls, Secretary; S. Edward Lewis, Foreman; P. B. Messick, 1st Asst.; J. W. Dickinson, 2d Asst.; John S. Crouch, S. S. Holten and Edward S. Jones, Trustees.

As the citizens of Middletown well know this company has in times gone by done some very effective work in extinguishing and staying dangerous fires, and their present personel is one well calculated to sustain their excellent reputation.

Bethesda Church Notes

The special evangelistic services are being held nightly at Bethesda, with increasing attendance and interest. Monday evening, in the absence of the Pastor, Rev. Vaughn S. Collins, who was in Baltimore attending the mid-year meeting of the trustees of Morgan College, the Rev. J. A. Arters was in charge, preaching most acceptably. Wednesday night, Rev. D. F. McFaull, of the Wilmington Conference was present, and preached a most helpful sermon from the text, "I know I have believed."

The devotional meeting of the Brotherhood next Sunday, at 9.30 A. M. will be led by M. B. Burris, Esq. At 10.30 the Pastor will preach the second part of the sermon on, "The Holy Catholic Church."

The special services will continue until further notice.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. FOARD.

Wheat—No. 1	.93	Corn—	
No. 2		Yellow, shelled	48
Timothy Seed	$5.00	" cob	47
Clover Seed	$10.00	Oats	55

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE

Eggs, per doz	28@34
Country Butter, per lb	32@35
Creamery Butter, per lb	40
Lard, per lb	12@15
Live Chickens, per lb	15@18
Potatoes	35@35

PERSONALS

Mr. C. P. Cochran was in Philadelphia on Thursday.

Mrs. Edward S. Jones spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. William Green visited Wilmington friends on Wednesday.

Miss Lulu Vinyard attended the Newark dance on Friday Evening.

Mrs. Martin B. Burris was in Wilmington this week, the guest of relatives.

Miss Edith Francis spent Sunday and Monday with her parents at Smyrna.

Miss Elizabeth Holten spent Sunday with Miss Margaret Jackson, in Dover.

Miss Elsie McShea, of Wilmington, visited Mrs. M. J. Darlington on Sunday.

Miss May Unruh, of Wilmington, was in attendance at Mrs. Nowland's funeral.

Miss Blanche Eliason, of Mt. Pleasant, spent part of this week with relatives here.

Mrs. John Solway, of Wilmington, was the guest of Mrs. Julia Holten, on Tuesday.

Little Miss Helen Curry spent part of this week with Mrs. Harry Richards, near Wilmington.

Mrs. G. J. Givan, of Wilmington, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Buehm one day last week.

Miss Bertie Abdell, of Philadelphia, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. D. King several days last week.

Mr. William D. King, whose serious illness was reported in our last issue, is still in a critical condition.

Mrs. Lelene Carender and sister, Mrs. Rose Porter of Philadelphia, were guests of Mrs. W. P. Biggs the first of the week.

Mrs. John B. Bendler and Mrs. Joshua Crossland spent Wednesday with Mr. George D. Crossland and family, near St. Georges.

Mrs. J. B. Bendler and Mrs. Joshua Crossland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Crossland and family, near St. Georges, on Wednesday.

Miss Josephine Cochran left town on Wednesday for North Carolina, where she will spend some time with her sister, Mrs. J. Wallace Bersten and family.

Mrs. Sallie Eliason and Miss May Unrue of Wilmington, Miss Florence Gemmi of Philadelpia and Mr. Horace Walker of New York attended the funeral of Mrs. E. F. Nowland on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Metten of New York City were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Metten this week, Mrs. Metten has returned home but Mr. Metten remains for a longer visit.

Mrs. John C. Kelley, of near Egypt N. J., who has been visiting the family of Mr. George D. Kelley, left town on Tuesday for a short visit with Mrs. J. H. Mendinhall, in Wilmington, after which she will go to Chicago, where she will spend the winter with her sister.

Miss Peverley's Betrothal

Middletown society has been thrown into a delicious flutter by reason of the announcement just made at a very informal gathering, last Tuesday afternoon, at the beautiful residence of Mr. and Mrs. George V. Peverley, on West Main street, of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Justine Benson, to Mr. James Edward Woodall, Jr. of Georgetown, Md.

Mrs. George V. Peverley, Mrs. Julian H. Foard, Mrs. John C. Green, Mrs. Henry S. Brady, Mrs. Dorsey W. Lewis, Miss Mary Nowland, Miss Eliza C. Green, Miss Corson, of Philadelphia, and little Miss Virginia Brady and Master John Green, were present at the time the intelligence of the plighting of the couple was made public, and even to the little folk all extended their warmest wishes for long life and happiness to Miss Peverley in her prospective new relation in life.

Miss Peverley is a vivacious member of the younger set here in Middletown, justly popular for her many amiable qualities, with her host of friends and associates who join the rest in expressing their hearty sentiments of good will and pleasure at her coming happiness.

Mr. Woodall is a son of James E. Woodall, Sr., and a grandson of the late Mr. Andrew Woodall, well known as the largest land owner on this Peninsula. Mr. Woodall, Jr., is engaged in the lumber business at his home in Georgetown, Md., and is very highly esteemed both commercially and socially.

The Transcript adds its congratulations to the lucky young gentleman and begs leave to bespeak the lady and himself every hymeneal felicity once the fateful knot is tied.

Her 82d Anniversary

A large number of Mrs. Catharine A. Hutchison's friends assembled at her home in Townsend, on Tuesday evening in honor of her 82d birthday, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Miss Ethelwyn Maloney rendered several pleasing selections on the piano, after which refreshments were served. After extending congratulations to their hostess and wishing her many more such pleasant occasions, the guests departed for their homes. Those present were: J. C. Hutchison and wife, William Spicer and wife, D. P. Hutchison and daughter, Margaret, A. J. Lynam, wife and son, J. C. Hutchison, Jr. and wife, D. B. Jones and wife, Miss Ruth Hutchison, John S. Lattomus, Winfield Lattomus and wife, Walter Lee and wife, D. B. Maloney and daughter, Rev. F. C. MacSorley and wife, W. A. Scott and wife, Mrs. Jacob Spicer, Eliza Cary and wife, Capt. George H. Mifflin and wife, Mrs. H. A. Wilson, Mrs. W. H. Money, Mrs. Amanda Quillin, Mrs. G. W. VanDyke, Mrs. Sallie Watts, Mrs. Edward Hart, Mrs. Sallie Taylor, S. A. Collins and wife, T. T. Smith and wife and Mrs. Roland Reynolds.

Mr. Shallcross Improving

The Transcript is glad to learn that Mr. James T. Shallcross, who on Friday was taken very ill on the train, while returning from Ocean View, and who afterwards became ill with pneumonia, is now much better. A constitutionally weak heart added to the peril of his attack.

Mr. Shallcross is president of the Horticultural Society and vice-president of the State Board of Agriculture and is noted for his great interest in Agriculture and in everything that concerns the farmer and the farm and his death would indeed be a serious loss to the State and its farming interests.

The Transcript trusts that he may speedily be restored to his accustomed health and vigor, many years yet to enjoy the affection of his devoted family and the wide esteem of his friends and neighbors.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Alice R. Nowland

Mrs. Alice R. Nowland, widow of Dr. Edward F. Nowland, a prominent physician for many years in Middletown and vicinage, and daughter of the late Mr. Thomas R. Cochran, died on Sunday evening at 8.30 o'clock at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Walter S. Leatherbury. Mrs. Nowland, who was 74 years old at the time of her death, had been unwell for some months past and finally succumbed to a complication of diseases.

Mr. Nowland was for many years a resident in this community, a most estimable christian woman, and prominent in social and church affairs. Two sons, Messrs. Robert and Frank N. Nowland, living in Philadelphia and her daughter, Mrs. Walter S. Leatherbury survive her.

She leaves also three brothers well known citizens in our community, Messrs. Robert A., Richard R., and Dan M. Cochran. The funeral was held at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Leatherbury, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Percy L. Donaghay, rector of St. Annes P. E. Church of which the deceased was for many years a devoted member, officiating. The pall bearers were: Messrs. Jefferson B. Foard, Andrew S. Eliason, J. B. Messick, W. A. Comegys, John S. Crouch and Jesse L. Shepherd. Interment was made in the Forest Cemetery.

Mrs. Clara L. Roberts

Mrs. Clara L. Roberts, wife of Mr. James R. Roberts died at her home in Fieldsboro on Saturday, January 7th, 1911, aged 67 years. Deceased leaves a devoted husband and two children Miss Addie Roberts and Mr. LeRoy Roberts to mourn her death.

Funeral services were held at her late home, and interment made in Forest Cemetery on Tuesday last.

ROLL OF HONOR

Townsend Public Schools

Grade 10—Lela Hutchison, Edith Heinold, Edward Ratledge, Elma Lockerman.

Grade 9—Florence Heinold, Susie Ratledge.

Grade 8—Naomi Shockley, Norma Hart, Elizabeth Staats, Ethel Money, Reba Outten.

Grade 7—Maryland Porter.

Grade 6—Elizabeth Richardson, Marian Hart, Marian Reynolds, Virgil Staats, Wilson Lattomus, Wilson Money, Leland Money.

Grade 5—Alice Outten, Helen Reynolds, Lola Ratledge, Rebe Rittenhouse, Mary Staats, Arena Staats, Christene Stout, Miriam Hutchison, John Linmous, Harold Money.

Grade 4—Lelah Money, Karlene Hart, Corinne Outten, Irving Hart, Katie Guessford, J. Albert Lynam.

Grade 3—Rebecca Bramble, Gladys Money, Mary Willey, Martha Willey, Mabel Harman, Willie Money, Thressa Wilson.

Grade 2—Zeta Outten, Sadie Carrow, Edna Hart, Agness McNatt, Helen Pritchard, Urie Naylor.

Grade 1—Maudie Bramble, Noble Naylor, Philip Baker, Hilda Money, Venie Ivory, Stockton Townsend, Reuben Harman, Albert Lee.

BLACKBIRD

Sunday afternoon is preaching day at Blackbird.

Mr. William L. Reynolds spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Miss Ethel L. Marker will lead our Epworth League tomorrow evening.

Mr. Mortimer Records has purchased a new thirty horse-power automobile.

Mrs. William Anderson and Miss Sarah Parvis spent Sunday with Mrs. Fannie Guessford.

Mr. John Bawley and little daughter, Beulah, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Fortner.

Mr. Spicer Buckson, of Wilmington, spent Wednesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Buckson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Spicer returned home Monday evening from a delightful visit with Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer Gibson, Kent Island.

Miss Edith and Elsie Gibbon, of Fleming Landing, spent part of last week with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Gibbons, near Townsend.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

At a meeting of Appoquinimink Tribe, No. 24, and Imp. O. of R. M., of Odessa, held on January 10th the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas—The great spirit has seen fit to remove from our midst our Brother Samuel Peachy and from following the hunt,

Be it Resolved, that we deplore the loss to our tribe of a faithful brother, friend and worker,

Resolved, that we extend to the family of our deceased Brother our deepest sympathy in the loss of a Husband and Father, and may Kishe Manitou with the softning touch of time lessen the bereavement that has fallen so heavily on them.

Resolved, that these resolutions be printed in The Middletown Transcript, and spread on the record of the tribe and a copy be sent to the family.

A Red-Man, friendly, kind of soul sincere. In action faithful, and in honor clear. He broke no promise, served no private end; He earned his titles, but he lost no friend.

Geo. E. Rhodes,
W. W. Rose,
Henry Kronemeier.
Committee.

Parkers in a New Industry

Delaware had a real and important Delaware industry incorporated at Dover, Saturday evening, when the J. C. Parker & Sons Fibre Company, which will operate large plants at New Castle and elsewhere, was incorporated to manufacture, buy, sell and treat vulcanized fibre. The incorporators are Joseph C. Parker, J. C. Parker, Jr., George F. Wilson and Manlove D. Wilson, all of Middletown, and William Reese Parker, of Wilmington. The capital stock is $300,000. The J. C. Parker Sons Company have for many years been conducting a wholesale and retail harness manufactory in Middletown.

Officers Installed

The following officers of Washington Camp, No. 11, P. O. S of A., of Odessa, were installed Wednesday evening, January 4th, 1911, by District President, Robert Douglas: Past President, Frank Gremminger; President, W. R. Phillips; Vice President, Elmer Davis; Master of Touns, Wilbert L. Ward; Conductor, Percy Wallace; Secretary, W. W. Rose; Treasurer, Harry Ward; Guard, Arthur Phillips; Inspector, Pierce Berry; Trustee, Jos. R. Heldmyer.

TOWNSEND

Mrs. Daisy Collins, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with her parents here.

Mr. Lloyd Knotts, of Newport, was an over Sunday visitor with his parents here.

Mrs. William Money is spending a few days with Mrs. Lizzie Voshel at Smyrna.

The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs F. C. MacSorley on Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Donovan attended the funeral of his sister on Monday at Houston.

Mrs. Susie Reynolds and Mrs. Susie Money spent Thursdry with Mrs. James Wilson, in Smyrna.

Mrs. D. B. Jones and Miss Estella VanDyke were the guests of Mrs. Emma Brockson, of Middletown, on Wednesday.

Mrs. Maggie Lee attended a family reunion at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harry Stephenson, of near Smyrna, on Sunday.

Miss Lillian Wright, of Brenford, who has been spending the past two weeks with W. Harmon Reynolds and family, returned home on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hart entertained on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Lester Naylor, of near McDonough, Miss Helen Start, of Smyrna, Mrs. Bessie Enos and son, Tom and Miss Ethel Daniels.

On Tuesday evening Mrs. Kate Hutchison was given a surprire in honor of her eighty-second birthday. A very pleasant time was had by all. At a late hour the guests were invited to the dining-room, where refreshments were served, after which they departed, wishing Mrs. Hutchison many more happy birthdays.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Mrs. Ralph Rees is visiting her parents at Woolford.

Revival meetings are being held in the M. E. Church this week.

Mr. Ralph Hohn, of Baltimore, is visiting Mr. Nowland Bouchelle.

Miss Kate Jewell, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. Toward N. Loraine.

Mr. Ely, of Pittsburg, Pa., filled the Presbyterian pulpit on Sunday last.

Mrs. M. E. Foard and Miss Mollie Foard are visiting Marshalton friends.

Mrs. Clayton L. Ellison spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. A. M. Griffith.

Mr. and Mrs. James Watts, of Cecilton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Polk Steele.

Misses Mary Barwick and Augusta Egee attended a Dance, at Newark, on January 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reed, of Berkely, Cal., spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. John M. Reed.

Mr. Ward Davis, of near Cecilton, was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. Byron N. Bouchelle.

Miss Carrie McIntire, of near town, is visiting Norristown and Philadelphia friends this week.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Albert Spear quite sick at this writing. We hope an early recovery.

Messrs. Thomson Wallace, Wayne Moyer and Williard Cornman, of Roxborough, Pa., visited friends here over Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Davis and Miss Madaline Davis, of Philadelphia, were recent visitors at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Gardner.

Miss Minnie Bouchelle, of Barkesdale, and Mr. H. Bouchelle, of near North East, were over Sunday visitors at the home of A. J. Bouchelle.

CECILTON

Stanley McCobbin was a Baltimore visitor last week.

Mr. Harry Clark was a Wilmington visitor Wednesday.

William Freeman, of Philadelphia, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Blanche Brown, of Baltimore, is visiting her parents here.

Preston Shallcross, of Baltimore, is visiting Mr. George Morgan.

Mr. Joseph Jarrell, of Felton, Del., has been visiting Mr. S. P. Hoover.

Miss Iona Benson, of Earlville, spent Tuesday with friends in town.

Don't forget the revival meetings now in progress in Zion M. E. Church.

Mr. Harvey H. Mackey, of Providence, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mrs. Money, of Summit Bridge, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Smith.

Mrs. Ernest Rickards, of Seattle, Washington, is visiting Misses Annie and Mary Rickards.

Miss Janie Smith was the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Boyles in Kent County, Md.

Miss Gertrude Hoover spent a few days with Mrs. L. B. Manlove at the home of Mrs. Robert A. Snyder.

Mr. Wilbur Wooleyhan, wife and children, of near Middletown, were guests of relatives here on Sunday.

WARWICK

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt, Jr. visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, on the Manor.

Mrs. Bayard Jordan, of Hockessin, is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. M. Eston.

Miss Blanch Wright is being entertained by Elkton friends.

Mr. Guy Johnson, spent Monday and Tuesday in Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt, Sr., are spending some time in Baltimore.

Mrs. S. E. Gunkel and Mrs. Amos Wilson were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. H. Price on Thursday last.

Miss Lizzie Caldwell is visiting Mrs. Mary Lofland.

Miss Sadie Davis has returned home, after a lenghy visit, with friends at Kennedyville.

Mrs. S. H. Duryea spent one day last week, with Mrs. Albert Donovan, near Middletown.

Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Ginn entertained the following people on Friday last: Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Merritt and daughter Miss Ethel, Mr. Guy Johnson, and Miss S. E. Vinyard.

The Transcript, $1 per year.

ODESSA

Mrs. Thomas Wallace visited relatives at Barclay last week.

Rev. William Snape, of South Dakota, spent several days in town last week.

Mrs. D. J. Givan, of Wilmington, was a visitor in town Wednesday last week.

Miss Alice McCoy has accepted a position with the Dupont Co., Wilmington.

Mrs. Craft, of Wilmington, spent Sunday last with her sister, Mrs. William McCoy.

Misses Lidie and Lou Baker, of Wilmington, were visitors in town Wednesday last.

Miss Ella Heller, of Wilmington, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Sophia McGee this week.

Mrs. A. Lee Orrell spent part of this week with her sister, Mrs. James Clothier in Wilmington.

Miss Cornelia Townsend, of New York City, has been spending a few days with her parents here.

Mrs. Cynthia Fitzgerald, of Glassboro, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. William Gremminger this week.

Mrs. Caroline Hahn, who has been spending some months with Baltimore relatives, has returned home.

Mr. Raymond Voshell, of near Milford, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Wesley DuHadaway several days this week.

The special revival services at the St. Pauls M. E. Church began Sunday last, January 8th, to continue nightly, except Saturday evening, until further notice.

The many friends and relatives of Mrs. James Roberts, of Fieldsboro, regret to learn of her death last week. Mrs. Roberts was formerly Miss Clara Lord and a resident of this town many years.

For School Improvements

Professor Alexander Crawford, principal of the Dover High School, has invited all school principals outside of Wilmington with three or more assistants, and all High School teachers outside of Wilmington, to meet in Dover to-day in the Dover High School building, and "to enter heart and soul, into an organization for the improvements of Delaware's schools and Delaware's principals".

Give us Your Orders for
ICE CREAM
Whether for family use, Parties, Weddings, or Banquets, we can furnish any quantity on short notice. Packed in bulk or in bricks. All standard flavors. Quality guaranteed the very best.
Write, telephone or telegraph.
Middletown Farms
Middletown, Del.
Pure Dairy Products

FIRE INSURANCE
Town Property, Farm Buildings, and Stock
TORNADO INSURANCE
Insure now against damage from wind storms
Life and Accident Insurance
GEORGE D. KELLEY,
Middletown, Del

HOW'S THAT COUGH?
No Better!
Then you had better try a bottle of
White Pine Cough Syrup!
It is an excellent preparation for coughs, colds, bronchial, catarrh, spasmodic croup. Winter coughs and all diseases of the air passages.
FOR SALE BY
ERNEST A. TRUITT
Graduate in Pharmacy
Middletown, - Delaware
Prescriptions a Specialty

Suits and Overcoats
Big Reductions from Low Prices, Best Styles and Makes and Every Size in our Winter Sale; 25 per cent., ⅓ off the Market Prices. Suits, now $7 to $22.50. Overcoats, $6 to $30. Special Sale Suits at $7.50 and $8 for men in all sizes, 34 to 42 chest. Big Cut in Shoes, Furnishings and Hats to clean up winter stock. Boys' and Little Boys' Suits, Overcoats and Odd Trousers, every size from 3 years to 17, with short trousers, and 14 to 17 years for Boys and young men. Special in Custom Tailoring, Suits, Overcoats and Odd Trousers to Order, with best work and trimmings and fit guaranteed. A lot of our Finest Ready Made Suits, Single Suits, broken sizes and small lots at ⅓ price, Suits, now $7.50 to $15, that were $15 to $30. Come see us; we will save you money.
Our Winter Sale
Biggest Because Best **MULLIN'S** Clothing Shoes Hats

Messick's!
Come and See
One Big Table of Remnants.
Here's a chance that you'll not often find. Lot of fine highgrade Dress Goods Remnants.
Just stop and think, fine all-wool Broad Cloths, all shades and blacks, selling at most half price. Don't delay. About 1000 yards, in all grades in this lot. Come early.
$1.75 and **$1.50** all-wool imported Broad Cloth. in blacks, blues, greens and cardinal, length remnants, now all marked
93c yd.
12 1-2c. Flannelettes, now marked **6 1-4**. Big variety of patterns, dots, stripes, small and large figures. This grade Cloth never sold less than **12 1-2**, good remnants lengths. You'll never likely have a chance like this again. This lot of remnants and full pieces to close the entire lot.
Lot of striped and plaid Dress Goods, excellent for Children's School Dresses, regular price **25c**, and never sold less than **25c**, now all marked **12 1-2c.**
Lot of plain and fancy Cotton Dress Goods, never sold less than **12 1-2c** yard, now marked **6 1-4c** yard, full pieces and remnants.
Lot Remnants, best makes, prints, blue, black and white and shirting prints. Regular price 7c, all marked **3 1-2c** yard.
8-fold Germantown Wool for the Auto Cap, **12c** hank.
J. B. Messick,
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

Goods at Less Than Cost
Because of the improvements which we are making in our store we have been forced to partition off a part of it. We are therefore crowded for room and have decided to close out several lines at prices far below the wholesale cost. These goods are guaranteed to be first quality and everything will be sold at the advertised prices. Remember that everything in our store is sold at a reduction but these lines are marked at specially low prices that they may be quickly sold off. Come early that you may have a large variety to select from,
About 200 large sized wood framed pictures, worth 15c to go at 5c. Several large sized gilt framed pictures with glass worth $1.50 at 50c. About 2000 yards of lace and insertion worth from 3c to 20c per yard, all to go at 1½c per yard.
Large number of quilts and blankets were 75c to $4.00, to go at about ½ of former prices.
Large line of chinaware, agateware and glassware to go at ½ price.
A number of ladies' sateen petticoats were 75c and 98c to go at 45c.
Burstan's Department Store
Corner Broad and Main Streets
MIDDLETOWN, - - DELAWARE

All's Fair in Love

BY WILLIS BOYD ALLEN

Tom was really a good half-inch taller than Kittie; but had you seen them walking down the street side by side you never would have guessed it. With her hair puffed in the prevailing fashion, a new-fangled hat perched atop, and the saucy head held very straight in the air—not to mention the heels of a certain pair of diminutive boots—Miss Kittie McFarland certainly looked considerably taller than her sturdy escort.

Tom's friends, finding out his sensitive point, teased him.

Better grow a little, son, they would say; or try one of those stretching machines that are advertised in the magazines. Miss McFarland can look right over your head in a crowd!

It's an optical illusion, Tom protested stoutly. We measured once, just for fun. I'm five feet seven and she's just five feet six and a half in her—allowing for the heels of her boots.

All the same, the exasperating illusion galled him, and he invariably chose the higher part of the sidewalk, in escorting her to and from concerts and church. As for that precious extra half-inch he would not have parted with it for a gold mine; for he loved Miss Kittie with all the strength of his honest heart, and while he looked up to her in every spiritual, moral and sentimental sense, he held (and he knew that she did) that on a material plane the wife should look up to her husband.

Now Katherine McFarland was one of those blue-eyed, brown-haired girls, with slightly tip-tilted nose and adorable mouth, that seem ordained to flirt; not in a bad or disagreeable sense, but enough to add a sort of bewitching charm to their society, and to drive every male adorer (of whom there are sure to be many) to the verge of distraction, without actually pushing them over. Poor Tom was leading a sorry life of it, but somehow he felt sure that beneath all her bantering and tormenting Kittie loved him, and that she belonged to him for a time and eternity.

The crisis came when a new face appeared in the social circles of Danville, the small New England city where Tom practiced law and Kittie her destructive arts. The new-comer was a Mr. Arthur Milton, tall and slender, with a smooth face (Tom clung to his moustache) and dreamy poetical eyes with blonde lashes.

Milton discovered Kittie at once, and paid open court to her. He had traveled much, was a gentleman of leisure, and had undeniably pleasant manners. But worst of all (from Tom's point of view,) he towered above the young lady, as he stood beside her in the cotillion, by a full head.

I could stand it, seeing them dance together, growled poor Tom to his sympathetic sister, but when he's fanning her afterward, and she looks up into his face—as she never would or could look into mine—why, Bess, its simply maddening. And he's a good sort of a fellow, too, and I can't help liking him. That's why I hate him!

Never mind, Tom dear, Bessie would say, patting her brother's shoulder. A half-inch of you is better than a whole yard of Arthur Milton; and if Kittie McFarland can't see it by this time, I don't want her for a sister-in-law.

But I do!—that is— And so Tom went on with his bungling confidences and griefs, and Bessie's well-meant consolation went for little.

Milton and Kittie were seen together more and more frequently as the season progressed and Tom withdrew more and more into the background—a poor policy with a girl like Kittie, who wanted to be vigorously sued. She resented her former lover's apparent abandonment of the campaign and flirted more openly than ever with her new admirer.

There was to be a large but select dance given at one of the best houses, just after the close of Lent—the final Assembly of the season. It was to be a German, and partnerships were of course previously arranged.

Tom plucked up courage and called on Kitty to ask her to be his partner.

I'm sorry, but I am engaged to Mr. Milton.

Engaged? stammered Tom.

For the German, I mean, laughed the girl. There's nothing further to announce—yet!

All right, said Tom, rising; I shall be there, and I'll have a dance with you, anyway.

If you can capture it, said Kittie, saucily, flashing her blue eyes at him. It's a German, you know and there are to be some awfully nice figures.

Tom looked at the trim little figure before him, but did not venture to express his thoughts.

One is the candle figure, continued his tormentor. You know the lady stands on a hassock or something and holds a lighted candle as high as she can—or as she wants to! The gentlemen have to try to blow it out, and the first who succeeds wins the lady. That's the last dance I believe.

Wins the lady? repeated Tom. Kittie, if I'm given half a chance I'll blow out that candle and hold you to your word! He spoke in a jocular way, but underlying his words was a strain of earnestness, strengthened by the intent look he bent upon her—Is that a bargain, Kittie? Do you agree to keep your part of it if I win in the candle test? Kittie flushed rosily, hesitated, then started to speak but before she could frame a reply or disclaim any serious intent to her words, Tom's steps echoed down the walk to the street. He was much too wise a young man to press the matter further at that particular time. Kittie's smile to herself was enigmatical as she turned out the parlor lamp and betook herself to her own room. Maybe she was not just certain as to her own feelings and was willing to leave the decision in the hands of Fate.

All the gay world was at Mrs. Hawthorne's Assembly. The German proceeded merrily enough and even Tom had a good time, dancing through figure after figure with only an occasional glance at Kittie, who was in the gayest of spirits. Twice she took out Arthur Milton, and of course he reciprocated. They certainly made a handsome pair as they floated about the room in perfect step with each other and in equally perfect time to the music. Little ripples of gossipy comment on their appearance reached Tom's ears from time to time, and one maliciously inclined young maiden asked him direct if he did not think Miss McFarland and Mr. Milton must be engaged they seemed so devoted. If she wanted to see how the suggestion acted upon the young man she was doomed to disappointment, for he merely answered with off hand coolness that if all the young men who were devoted to Miss Kittie expected to be engaged to her she would not have fingers enough to accommodate the rings.

The last dance was announced, and the third lady to mount her pedestal, holding the candle aloft like the Statue of Liberty was Miss McFarland. The foot stool which raised her some nine or ten inches above the floor was by no means steady and required careful balancing on her part to retain her position. Then again a lighted candle with melted tallow dropping at intervals on one's fingers or worse still on one's dainty gown was not conducive to tranquility, but the little lady closed her mouth with a delightful attempt at firmness and bravely held up at arm's length the twinkling taper. Two gentlemen in succession essayed to blow it out, but only extinguished their own hopes, and retired amid general laughter. Then Mr. Milton advanced with light and graceful step. His manner was confident, and all eyes were centered upon him as he advanced, although the majority, like himself imagined it knew exactly what the outcome would be. He smiled at Kittie, whose cheeks were flushed and eyes shining like stars. Never had she looked more lovely, and more than one victim to her charms in the past inwardly sighed as they watched to see the prize carried off before their eyes, for the tense atmosphere which prevailed gave an inkling that here was something a little out of the ordinary about to take place. Kittie had led her lovers such a merry dance in the past that they knew it would be just like her to divide a momentous question in some such frivolous fashion. Milton was so tall that he did not even have to jump. He just raised himself on tiptoes, and sure of success, gave a delicate little puff.

Everybody had supposed him the favored partner, but there was the candle, burning as brightly as ever, held bravely aloft in the slender white hand! Milton turned red, bowed abruptly, and took himself off. Only those who were in the near neighborhood had seen what had really happened. Kittie had given a little scream at the critical moment, as if she was losing her balance, and had moved the candle over so slightly—just enough to spoil the tall aspirant's aim. Once again she settled her footing steady on the shaky pedestal, once again she held up the candle with a firm little hand and like a dauntless Goddess of Liberty clad in palest rose-colored satin awaited the next comer.

Then came Tom. There was another laugh, as he ruefully surveyed the lofty flame, three or four feet above his head. If his rival's superior inches had not helped him how was he to come out winner with such odds against him? He met Kittie's eyes squarely, and prepared himself for a spring. The laughing spectators awaited the climax with interested attention. Even the defeated aspirant stopped to see what luck awaited his shorter rival. Perhaps he was aware that more than the winning of the German favor was concerned in the little test. Tom was oblivious to the curiosity of the outsiders. He was for once oblivious to the laughing whispers about his short statue. To his mind only Kittie and he were interested in the matter. She and he alone understood the promise which would be kept if he were successful. Suddenly he paused, pointed swiftly to Kittie's front breadth of pale satin and cried Your dress!

Kittie thought the tallow was dripping on her gown, and instinctively looked down, thoughtlessly lowering the candle, which Tom calmly blew out without so much as rising on tiptoe. In another moment his arm was around her and they were floating through the delicious dream of a Strauss waltz.

Have I won the lady, darling? whispered Tom, his lips close to the little pink ear.

Y—yes—I suppose so, breathed his partner. For goodness sake don't lose step, or they'll know what we're saying!

HINTS FOR STOCK OWNERS

The manure from each cow is worth from $25 to $30. Don't let it waste.

With a good stool to hold up the pail you can rest at milking time, after a hard day's work.

It pays to fuss a little with the cows, and they relish a little change in diet, with some dainties added, as well as we do.

Don't forget that a few beets, turnips or cabbage mixed with the regular rations of the dairy herd these wintry days, will do much toward taking the place of the juicy grazing the animals relished so much in summer, when they filled the milk-pail to overflowing.

Drafts under the floors are death to pigs and even to grown hogs.

Hogs and hens do not go well in the same house. Don t try it.

Do not let the brood sows that are to farrow in the spring become too fat.

Dark hog houses are healthful. Let in the light and keep your porkers healthy.

If a small pig is chilled it can be revived by dipping it into water as hot as you can bear your hand in, then wrapping it in warm flannel.

Pigs are not protected from cold by warm coats of hair and suffer greatly if exposed.

An uncomfortable, suffering pig can not be a profitable one.

Because sheep have warm coats, it does not follow that they can be exposed to wet and storms.

If any sheep or lamb is heard coughing, put it by itself and give special care and treatment. Find the cause and remove it.

When a sheep gets unruly, the best thing to do is to make a trip to the meat man's, and take as your passenger that trying sheep.

Don't feed out all the clover to the cows. Save a nice lot for the sheep. They will get as much good out of it as any animal on the farm.

Millions of pounds of wool are imported. Why not grow this wool on our own soil and keep the money in the family?

It pays to feed the colts grain.

Good feed and exercise must go together.

A horse's pulse beat from thirty-six to forty times a minute when he is in health.

Carrots must be fed sparingly to working horses. Cut them in slices. They are a laxative, and affect the kidneys also.

It is impossible to develop a colt into a sound, serviceable horse if it is kept tied on a hard floor day in and day out through the winter.

Stuffing the colt with hay or straw or any coarse feed will spoil its looks. Keep this ration down by the use of some grain and less coarse feed.

Lop off the ration of all kinds when the horses are doing little or nothing. They are too much like a man to stand heavy feed while lying still.

The cost of twenty or thirty bushels of oats fed to the colt during the winter will be worth more than twice as much in its growth and development.

Watch the hired man with your horses. If they cringe, dodge or show signs of fear while with him, take my advice and "fire" him. A good horse is spoiled when he is a victim of fear.

THE POULTRY YARD

Keep the dust box supplied with nice clean dust, and see that the grit box is never empty.

Keeping many breeds is a poor way to succeed. Get down to one or two varieties and give them the best of care.

If the hens were compelled to work a little harder these days for what grain they get, it would be a good thing for them.

Never feed meat scrape that were made of rotten meat. Good, pure feed is the only thing that ever ought to be fed to a fowl of any kind.

During winter the drinking vessels must be emptied each evening; it is much easier to do that than it is to break a solid cake of ice in them the next morning.

Leaving the birds to fight their own battles against lice and other enemies may save some work, but it will cost some eggs; and eggs are worth money these days.

Do not delay any longer the job of culling out the poor stock. It is a mistake to keep even a single unprofitable fowl. Have the stock up in quality rather than in quantity.

You are better than you seem; better than you believe yourself to be. So don't give way to discouragement.

If the hens are fed hot corn for supper, they will go to bed happy these cold winter nights. Feed it just as hot as they can eat it comfortably. Shell some in a baking-pan and stir and heat in the oven.

As the weather grows colder, increase the supply of corn. It is a heating food. But never feed it alone. A good grain mixture for winter is two parts whole corn, one part each wheat and oats; all well mixed.

Many hens never know what it is to be comfortable from one end of the winter to the other, except on a day when it thaws. You can not expect hens to do well under such conditions. To do well they must be comfortable.

The worst thing is to make poultry drink ice-cold water; chills them clear through. They must warm that water before the work of digestion can go on again. Warm the water for them—not hot, but just comfortably warm.

It is a good rule to keep fowls indoors during rainy, snowy or windy weather. While the rains during the summer will do no harm to the fowls, the cold rains of winter are injurious. Exposing fowls to bad weather is but to invite sickness. Therefore, the more room in the hen house, the more contented will the fowls be when confined.

At this time of the year cold may develop in the flock. It is always best to nip these in the bud. In the first stag a a one-grain quinine pill each night for a week will be found effective. Remove the fowl to separate and dry quarters. Generally in a week the cold will have disappeared. Colds are caused by exposure, or by closely built houses, or by overcrowded flocks, making the fowls sweat at night while on the roost and chill when they leave their perch the next morning. Have litter in the house, throwing the grain feed amongst it in the evening at feeding time, and the fowls will start to scratching the moment they get off the roost at break of day. This exercising warms up the blood and puts the fowls in good condition to appreciate and thoroughly digest the morning mash.

Frost Killing Stoves

The Kansas foundries and iron works are working overtime building cheap stoves to be used next spring in the orchards of that State. On account of the idiosyncrasies of the Kansas weather, there is nothing at all certain about the fruit crops unless the trees are protected from late and damaging frosts. Many farmers have thousands of dollars invested in orchards, and they are making additional investments in stoves or smudge pots to protect the trees. Samuel Young, who owns an orchard of 60 acres south of Atchison, is the first man to try the stoves. He has used the smuge pots for years and found them fairly successful, but last year he made some experiments with stoves in a part of his orchard, and they gave much better satisfaction than the smudge. In the smudge pots either oil or some wood saturated to make a heavy smoke is used. Mr. Young has ordered 596 small sheet iron stoves made. They will cost 40 cents each, and will be placed at regular intervals though the orchard. It is to protect the trees from sudden changes in the weather that the smuge pots or stoves are being used. The smudge pots give no heat, but a thick pall of smoke covers the trees and keeps the frost from injuring the buds. The stoves not only supply this smoke, but their is sufficient heat to prevent the frost forming.

Chance For Boys

Congressman William H. Heald has announced from Washington that he intends holding a competitive examination about the first week in February to determine upon the principal and three alternates, to take the examination for admission to the United States Naval Academy, which are to be held in April and June by the Navy Department.

This preliminary examination will be held in Wilmington under the direction of the United States Civil Service Commission, and the four men receiving the higest averages on the examination will be designated by Mr. Heald, as principal and three alternates in order of their standing, to take the final examination. This course was determined upon by Mr. Heald because he thought by this method he would be able to decied as to who was best fitted to take the final test for admission. Those who are desirous of taking this preliminary examination should notify Congressman Heald at the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., stating at the same time, their age and height.

Return The Stamps

In the early part of December Red Cross Seals were sent to the teachers of the rural schools throughout the State. A large number of the teachers have not responded to the request for the return of these and it will be necessary to send bills for the seals which have not been accounted for. Some teachers have returned their stamps without any name or address and in several instances the post marks have been so indistinct that it has been impossible to credit even the town with the returns.

Teachers whose seals have been so sent are requested to notify the Wilmington office, West 5th Street at once.

GUMPTION ON THE FARM

Do not try the patience of the good wife by giving her green wood to burn.

Many a man wears himself out trying to keep up with his good intentions.

The funniest thing about a big man is that he is apt to have a little wife.

Whitewash your barn, but never undertake to whitewash a crooked politician.

There are more people dying for the lack of a kind word, a pat on the back and a little encouragement, than there are from disease.

Hot water on the grindstone will spoil it after a little so that it will have no grit. Use warm water, not hot, for taking the frost out of your stone.

What a lot of strength there is wasted chopping with dull axes! Spend a few minutes at the grindstone and see how nicely the world will go after that.

Some folks make themselves so lame kicking about things, that they tire themselves all out and never make anything out of life. It doesn't pay.

The boys and girls get enough hard knocks out in the world without your being stern and harsh with them. Let your home be to them a shelter and a refuge from the storms of the world.

Gets pretty slippery around the house and barn sometimes. Get a barrel of sand, coal ashes or sawdust and when such days come, scatter some on the ice spots. Easier to save bones than it is to mend them.

"Who pays the taxes?" asks Wallaces' Farmer. So far as we have been able to discover pretty nearly everybody pays. The tax collector is as relentless as death and few are able to side-step him.

It helps the wagon-maker to let the mud freeze to the wheels when you come in from a trip. You don't need to do it, though. By taking a little pains you can get most of the mud off while it is soft, and so save the wagon many years longer.

Do not track mud into the house. Provide a scraper and mat outside the door and do not forget to use them before going into the house. Scrubbing floors and sweeping carpets are not easy tasks, and the thoughtful man will not add to his wife's burdens.

The horse blankets get torn sometimes. Some blustery day, take a stout needle and thread and see what a good job you can do mending the rents. It is a good thing for the men folks to do such little jobs as this, and not call on the women so much. They have their own work to do every day.

If you are thinking of moving, better look around first to see if the time, energy and money you would spend seeking a new location would not, if wisely spent about the old place, result in an increase of profit and comfort that would justify you in staying with the old home. Better do this than be sorry.

To keep plows from rusting; To three pounds of tallow mix a pound of white lead. When using, heat the mixture and apply it with an old paint brush. In the spring just put the plow in the ground. This will clean the moldboard as bright in a few yards as it was before. The same applies to any farm tool used for cultivating.

The rude, vulgar and often malicious pictures put forth in the guise of wit and caricature through the daily and Sunday press, are destroying the artistic sense, if not the kindly instincts, of a whole generation of young people, who are growing to maturity looking upon them as one of the ordinary incidents of life. Carry the abominable things out of the house with the tongs, for the sake of the children.

Lumber and Coal YARD

G. E. HUKILL

Middletown, Del.

White Pine, Yellow Pine, Hemlock and Cypress. All kinds Building Lumber, Shingles, Lath and Pickets. Mill Work of all kinds in stock and to order. Building and Agricultural Lime. Woven Wire Fence, Wover Picket Fence, Barb Wire and Plain Wire.

Best veins of

HARD AND SOFT COAL

DO YOU WANT TO

BUY A FARM

of 217 Acres

For $5000.00

Buildings insured for $3375.00 and in good condition. Terms $2000.00 cash. Balance at 5 per cent. This is easy. This farm was appraised in settlement of estate at $8600.00, and is located in a good section of the country about eleven miles from Middletown and 5 miles from a good, town. Apply to

E. H. BECK,

Middletown, Del.

A ROUSING

CLEARANCE SALE

of Men's and Boys'

Clothing, Shoes and Furnishings

No need to explain that this has been a backward season, business all over the country has suffered unforeseen injury. Manufacturers, Jobbers and Retailers alike have seen their fond hopes of a record-breaking business shattered to "smithereens." Everybody is overstocked. We are. But we do not intend to be very long. Commencing Monday morning, January 9th, prices throughout the store will be reduced to a point where buying will be so irresistable to all who come that our stocks will soon be diminished to a normal state.

We promise you for this sale the greatest values ever offered in Middletown, considering the timeliness of the sale and the reliability of the merchandise offered. Surely a sale could not come at a more welcome time for this is the time that you need the goods most. But our stock MUST be reduced. We are determined to do triple the ordinary amount of business for the balance of the month and prices have been made with that idea in mind.

Come and see what, we think, will be the greatest values offered anywhere. You'll think they are, too, when you see the remarkably low prices we have placed on strictly new and up-to-the-minute goods of all kinds. Attend this sale and you'll be dollars ahead.

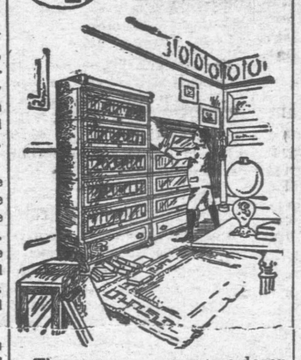
THE GLOBE CLOTHING STORE

S. M. Rosenberg, Proprietor

Middletown, - - Delaware

Y and E

SECTIONAL Bookcases



The man who has only a dozen books needs a bookcase, but he doesn't need one that will take up the whole side of his room. The "Y and E" Sectional Bookcase may be adapted to any space and is easy to move—simply detache the sections—a boy can put them up. I am sole agent for this section.

General line of Furniture.

CARPETS, WINDOW SHADES

UPHOLSTERING IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.

Funeral Director and EMBALMER

J. H. EMERSON,

Middletown - Delaware

S. E. MASSEY,

DEALER IN

WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, SILVERWARE.

Also a Large Stock of

Cut Glass

Howard Watches

Gillette Razors

Repairing and Silversmithing a Specialty.

We also handle the WATERMAN'S IDEAL FOUNTAIN PEN.

S. E. Massey,

Middletown,

Del.

TERMS STRICTLY CASH

SAMUEL B. FOARD

PAYS THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICE FOR

ALL KINDS OF Grain

Mr. William Janvier is our Grain Purchasing Agent at St. Georges.

ON HAND AT ALL TIMES HIGH-GRAD BITUMINOUS & LEHIGH

COAL!

SAWED WOOD by the Cord or in small quantities

Lime, Seed, Feed, &c.

Just received a carload of Western Oats.

Look a This for $1.50

TRIBUNE FARMER	$1.00
THE HOUSEWIFE	.35
PARIS MODES	.50
PARIS MODES PATTERN	.10
MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT	1.00
	$2.95

OUR PRICE TO YOU $1.50

The Greatest Subscription Bargain of the Year

THE HOUSEWIFE

Edited by LILIAN DYNEVOR RICE, formerly Editor of The Delineator, is a bright, entertaining monthly magazine, containing many good, wholesome serial and short and helpful articles of unquestioned merit presented in an interestingly instructive manner. It is the largest and best magazine for women published at a popular price, and has been recognized as the foremost Women's Household Magazine by hundred of thousands of readers throughout the land for the last twenty-four years.

New Fashions — Lessons in Economy
Social Circle — Editorial Outlook
Cooking Class — Needlework
Household Helps — Mother's Realm
Talks on Health

PARIS MODES

Beautifully illustrated. Always has a beautiful cover design and is filled from cover to cover with the latest styles of American and European fashions. It is a review of all fashions in juvenile, ladies' and misses' dresses, trimmings, and millinery, material cutting, designing and fitting. Special department of china, oil and water color painting. An information bureau for ladies. Good stories by celebrated writers, and a free pattern each year to every subscriber.

PARIS MODES PATTERNS

One pattern free with each subscription. May be selected from any issue of Paris Modes during the year.

THE NEW YORK TRIBUNE FARMER

is a practical up-to-date weekly, read by the successful farmer everywhere. Dr. C. D. Snead, the best known veterinarian in America, conducts a department especially for subscribers. His articles alone are worth the price of subscription. The combination described in this advertisement cannot be bettered. Advantage of the offer should be taken at once.

Address all orders to

The Middletown Transcript

MIDDLETOWN, - - DELAWARE.

SECURITY TRUST & SAFE DEPOSIT CO.

Wilmington, Delaware

CAPITAL $600,000. SURPLUS $600,000.

There are a hundred and more ways in which this Company can be of great assistance to you. We will be very glad to have you call on us at any time for information and advice concerning your Banking Business; the making of your Will; the settlement and distribution of your Estate; and any other matter in our line.

OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT: Benjamin Nields, — VICE-PRESIDENT: James B. Clarkson.

SECRETARY: John S. Rossell. — TREASURER: L. Scott Townsend.

THE SUN

Daily 1 Cent — BALTIMORE, MD. — Sunday 3 Cents

THE SUN (Daily) at 1 Cent

IS THE CHEAPEST HIGH-CLASS NEWSPAPER IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD is daily gathered by the well-trained special correspondents of THE SUN and set before the readers in a concise and interesting manner.

As a chronicle of world events THE SUN IS INDISPENSABLE, while its bureaus in Washington and New York make its news from the legislative and financial centers of the country the best that can be obtained.

AS A WOMAN'S PAPER THE SUN has no superior, being morally and intellectually a paper of the highest type. It publishes the very best features that can be written on fashion, art and miscellaneous matters.

THE SUN'S market news makes it A BUSINESS MAN'S NECESSITY for the farmer, the merchant and the broker can depend upon complete and reliable information upon their various lines of trade.

THE SUN is in every respect an up-to-date newspaper, fearless in its opinions, just in its deliberations and a leader in the fight for the rights of the people.

By Mail THE SUN (Daily) is 25 Cents a Month and $3 a Year.

THE SUNDAY SUN, by Mail for 15 Cents a Month and $1.50 a Year, contains all the features of the Daily together with a magazine section made up of articles of interest to men, women and children.

The DAILY and SUNDAY SUN are published by

A. S. ABELL COMPANY

BALTIMORE, MD.